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Erin, Hylton Jackson forwarded me your email regarding contacts for interviews to gain community input on the DICO site.

I work closely with communities in Iowa to encourage and facilitate redevelopment of brownfield sites, including significant work and relationships I have with the City of Des Moines. I have followed the DICO situation closely over the years. I'd be more than happy to visit with you on the 11th or 12th at a time convenient for you to answer any questions or provide information as I can.

I believe you've been in touch with Rita Conner, with the Economic Development Department of the City of Des Moines. As you may know, Rita has been advocate to look at partnerships to address remaining regulatory issues at DICO, while looking to move forward with planning potential for site reuse of significant value to the community.

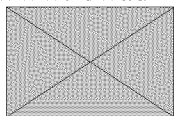
I can't think of a more appropriate site than DICO as an example for the syndrome or conundrum of brownfields, from a perception standpoint, if not a programmatic standpoint. I believe we all would like to see Superfund sites have the opportunity to someday move into reuse, even if that has some limitations to ensure the safety of public health and environmental protection, and DICO has significant potential to be that kind of success.

Sincerely,

MR. MEL PINS

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